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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain systems installed in nonresidential buildings.

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Mr. HOEKSTRA (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. WALSH of New York, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. AKIN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. CLAY, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. UPTON, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. KELLER of Florida, Mr. CALVERT, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mr. LARSON of Connecticut) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Cool and Efficient
5 Buildings Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. RECOVERY PERIOD FOR DEPRECIATION OF CER-**
2 **TAIN SYSTEMS INSTALLED IN NONRESIDEN-**
3 **TIAL BUILDINGS.**

4 (a) 20-YEAR RECOVERY PERIOD.—Subparagraph
5 (F) of section 168(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of
6 1986 (relating to 20-year property) is amended to read
7 as follows:

8 “(F) 20-YEAR PROPERTY.—The term ‘20-
9 year property’ means—

10 “(i) initial clearing and grading land
11 improvements with respect to any electric
12 utility transmission and distribution plant,
13 and

14 “(ii) any property—

15 “(I) which is part of a heating,
16 ventilation, air conditioning, or com-
17 mercial refrigeration system,

18 “(II) which is installed on or in
19 a building which is nonresidential real
20 property, and

21 “(III) the original use of which
22 commences with the taxpayer.”.

23 (b) REQUIREMENT TO USE STRAIGHT LINE METH-
24 OD.—Paragraph (3) of section 168(b) of such Code (relat-
25 ing to property to which straight line method applies) is
26 amended by redesignating subparagraphs (F), (G), and

1 (H) as subparagraphs (G), (H), and (I), respectively, and
 2 by inserting after subparagraph (E) the following new
 3 subparagraph:

4 “(F) Property described in subsection
 5 (e)(3)(F)(ii).”.

6 (c) ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM.—The table contained in
 7 section 168(g)(3)(B) of such Code is amended by striking
 8 the item relating to subparagraph (F) and inserting the
 9 following new items:

“(F)(i)	25
(F)(ii)	25”.

10 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 11 this section shall apply to property placed in service after
 12 December 31, 2006.

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